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REF A. SEOUL 6490 B. SEOUL 6645

1. LOCKHEED REPRESENTATIVE IN SEOUL WILLIAM TUCK TOLD US OCTOBER 12 THAT HE HAD RECEIVED CALL FROM LOCKHEED'S MAN IN WASHINGTON REPORTING THAT EMBASSY HAD SENT IN MESSAGE EXPRESSING RESERVATION ABOUT BOTH LOCKHEED PROPELLENT PLANT AND ROK MCDONNELL DOUGLAS MISSILE DEVELOPMENT PLAN. TUCK APPEARED GENERALLY FAMILIAR CONTENT BOTH REFTELS.

2. ACCORDING TUCK LOCKHEED INFERRED THAT DEFENSE HAS APPROVED PROPELLENT PLANS AND POINT OF HIS CALL WAS TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER EMBASSY AND DEPARTMENT WERE BLOCKING PROPELLENT PLANT PROJECT. HE ALSO MADE GENERAL PITCH FOR LOCKHEED PROPOSAL, NOTING IN PASSING FRENCH OFFER TO BUILD PLANT, AND CLAIMED TO KNOW NOTHING ABOUT MCDONNELL PLANS.

3. EMBOFF IN RESPONSE DID NOT CONFIRM TUCK'S INFORMATION BUT INDICATED AS WE CONSISTENTLY HAVE IN PAST THAT ASSISTANCE TO ROKS IN MISSILE FIELD AND PROPELLENT PLANT DEVELOPMENT WERE MATTERS CALLING FOR WASHINGTON LEVEL REVIEW. EMBOFF OFFERED NO OPINION, AS TO OUTCOME OF THIS REVIEW.

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4. I AM NEEDLESS TO SAY CONCERNED AT THIS EVIDENCE OF

LEAKAGE OF REFERENCED MESSAGES. I HOPE YOU WILL DO WHAT YOU CAN
TO HALT FURTHER LEAKAGE, PARTICULARLY IN THESE SENSITIVE AREAS WHICH
INVOLVE MAJOR U.S. INTERESTS AND CALL FOR CAREFUL REVIEW AND
EVALUATION.
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